

**This is a questionnaire for the 2010 Arkansas Poll**

**Interviewer initials:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Questionnaire number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Respondent name:** \_\_\_\_\_ <NAME>

**Date used:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**57:**

**Q5**

I would first like to ask you how many years you have lived in Arkansas, or have you lived here all of your life?

Enter number of years.....  
Less than one year..... 96  
All my life..... 97  
Don't know..... 98  
Refused..... 99

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**58:**

In what county do you live?

Don't know.....	98
Refused.....	99
Arkansas.....	01
Ashley.....	47
Baxter.....	02
Benton.....	35
Boone.....	36
Bradley.....	48
Calhoun.....	49
Carroll.....	37
Chicot.....	50
Clark.....	51
Clay.....	03
Cleburne.....	04
Cleveland.....	52
Columbia.....	53
Conway.....	27
Craighead.....	05
Crawford.....	38
Crittenden.....	06
Cross.....	07
Dallas.....	54
Desha.....	55
Drew.....	56
Faulkner.....	28
Franklin.....	39
Fulton.....	08
Garland.....	57
Grant.....	58
Greene.....	09
Hempstead.....	59
Hot Springs.....	60
Howard.....	61
Independent.....	10
Izard.....	11
Jackson.....	12
Jefferson.....	62

**Q6**

Johnson.....	40
Lafayette.....	63
Lawrence.....	13
Lee.....	14
Lincoln.....	64
Little River.....	65
Logan.....	66
Lonoke.....	15
Madison.....	41
Marion.....	42
Miller.....	67
Mississippi.....	16
Monroe.....	17
Montgomery.....	68
Nevada.....	69
Newton.....	43
Ouachita.....	70
Perry.....	29
Philips.....	18
Pike.....	71
Poinsett.....	19
Polk.....	72
Pope.....	44
Prairie.....	20
Pulaski.....	30
Randolph.....	21
Saline.....	31
Scott.....	73
Searcy.....	23
Sebastian.....	45
Sevier.....	74
Sharp.....	24
St. Francis.....	22
Stone.....	25
Union.....	75
Van Buren.....	32
Washington.....	46
White.....	33
Woodruff.....	26
Yell.....	34

**59:**

**Q7**

Okay. And which of the following is the most important problem or issue facing people in Arkansas today?

The economy.....	1
Education.....	2
Healthcare.....	3
Crime.....	4
Taxes.....	5
Immigration.....	6
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

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**60:**

**COMM1**

Thank you. Let's move on to your thoughts on some of the people who are involved in government and politics.

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**61:**

**Q8**

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mike Beebe is handling his job as governor?

Approve.....	1
Disapprove.....	2
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

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**62:**

**Q9**

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

Approve.....	1
Disapprove.....	2
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

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**63:**

**Q10**

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Blanche Lincoln is handling her job as U.S. Senator?

Approve.....	1
Disapprove.....	2
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

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**64:** **Q11**

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mark Pryor is handling his job as U.S. Senator?

Approve .....	1
Disapprove .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**65:** **Q12**

And, as far as you know, what is Barack Obama's religion? Is he:

Christian .....	1
Muslim .....	2
Something else .....	3
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**66:** **Q13**

Thank you. Now let's consider the election next month. Suppose the election were held today. Who would you be more likely to vote for:

John Boozman, the Republican .....	1	=> /RAN1
Blanche Lincoln, the Democrat .....	2	=> /RAN1
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q13A
Refused .....	9	=> /Q13A

**67:** **Q13A**

As of today, do you lean more toward:

Boozman, the Republican .....	1	=> /RAN1
Lincoln, the Democrat .....	2	=> /RAN1
Don't know .....	8	=> /RAN1
Refused .....	9	=> /RAN1

**69:** **COMM2**

Okay, moving from people to issues, you may be aware that in addition to voting on candidates this November, Arkansans will be asked to vote on several issues. Please listen carefully to a summary of one of these and tell me if you favor or oppose it.

**70:**

**Q14A**

Referred Amendment 1 would amend the Arkansas constitution to provide for a constitutional right to "hunt, fish, trap, and harvest wildlife, subject to regulations that promote wildlife preservation and management." Given this description, do you favor or oppose this measure?

Favor .....	1	=> /COMM3
Oppose.....	2	=> /COMM3
Don't know.....	8	=> /COMM3
Refused.....	9	=> /COMM3

**71:**

**Q14B**

And Referred Amendment 1 is proposed to us by the state legislature. It would amend the Arkansas constitution to provide for a constitutional right to "hunt, fish, trap, and harvest wildlife, subject to regulations that promote wildlife preservation and management." Given this description, do you favor or oppose this measure?

Favor .....	1	=> /COMM3
Oppose.....	2	=> /COMM3
Don't know.....	8	=> /COMM3
Refused.....	9	=> /COMM3

**72:**

**COMM3**

Thank you. Next, I have a couple of questions about some issues that are often in the news.

**73:**

**Q15**

In general, would you say that you favor stricter gun control, less strict gun control, or should no change be made to the existing gun control laws?

Stricter .....	1
Less strict.....	2
No change.....	3
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**74:**

**Q16**

Which comes closest to your view about what government policy should be regarding undocumented immigrants currently residing in the United States? Should the government:

Allow undocumented immigrants to remain in the United States to work for a limited amount of time.....	1
Allow undocumented immigrants to become U.S. citizens if they meet certain criteria like learning English and paying their back taxes. .	2
Deport all undocumented immigrants.....	3
Allow undocumented immigrants to become permanent residents with no requirements .....	4
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**75:** **Q17**

Which of the following policy positions most closely resembles your own view regarding relationships between two people of the same sex:

- Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry ..... 1
- Gay couples should be allowed to form a civil unions or domestic partnerships, but not legally marry ..... 2
- There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship ..... 3
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**76:** **Q18**

Do you approve or disapprove of allowing openly homosexual men and women to serve in the armed forces of the United States?

- Approve ..... 1
- Disapprove..... 2
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**78:** **Q20**

From what you've heard or read, do you approve or disapprove of the health care law that was enacted last March? Do you:

- Strongly approve ..... 1
- Approved ..... 2
- Disapprove..... 3
- Strongly disapprove..... 4
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**79:** **Q21**

Which comes closer to your view about the tax cuts passed when George W. Bush was president? Should all of the tax cuts remain in place; tax cuts for the wealthy should be repealed, while others stay in place; or all of the tax cuts should be repealed.

- Keep all the tax cuts ..... 1
- Repeal the tax cuts for the wealthy..... 2
- Repeal all the tax cuts..... 3
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**80:** **COMM4**

Thank you. Next, I'm going to read you two statements. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each statement.

**81:**

**Q22**

Child obesity is an obvious health concern facing my community.

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree ..... 2
- Disagree ..... 3
- Strongly disagree ..... 4
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**82:**

**Q23**

Adult obesity an obvious health concern facing my community.

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree ..... 2
- Disagree ..... 3
- Strongly disagree ..... 4
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**84:**

**Q24A**

Okay, thank you. Lets shift gears. Some people approve of the job Barack Obama is doing as president, and some people do not. Regardless of your overall feelings toward him, please indicate how many of the following five facts about President Obama trouble you. Please note that we are not interested in which ones, only how many. Are you ready?

- As a child, he spent several years in Indonesia ..... 1
- He is the first black president ..... 2
- He sometimes smokes cigarettes ..... 3
- He is a former law professor ..... 4
- He was a community organizer ..... 5

**85:**

**Q24AC**

How many of those facts bother you?

- 1 ..... 1           => /COMM5
- 2 ..... 2           => /COMM5
- 3 ..... 3           => /COMM5
- 4 ..... 4           => /COMM5
- 5 ..... 5           => /COMM5
- (Silent) None of these bother me ..... 6           => /COMM5
- Don't know ..... 8           => /COMM5
- Refused ..... 9           => /COMM5

**86:**

**Q24B**

Some people approve of the job Barack Obama is doing as president, and some people do not. Regardless of your overall feeling toward him, please indicate how many of the following five facts about President Obama trouble you. Please note that we are not interested in which ones, only how many. Are you ready?

- As a child, he spent several years in Indonesia ..... 1
- He has two young children ..... 2
- He sometimes smokes cigarettes ..... 3
- He is a former law professor ..... 4
- He was a community organizer ..... 5

**87:**

**Q24BC**

How many of those bother you?

- 1 ..... 1      => /COMM5
- 2 ..... 2      => /COMM5
- 3 ..... 3      => /COMM5
- 4 ..... 4      => /COMM5
- 5 ..... 5      => /COMM5
- (Silent) None of these bother me ..... 6      => /COMM5
- Don't know ..... 8      => /COMM5
- Refused ..... 9      => /COMM5

**88:**

**COMM5**

Thank you. The next questions are about your general evaluation of the quality of life in our state.

**89:**

**Q25**

Overall, do you feel that Arkansas is generally headed in the right direction or the wrong direction?

- Right ..... 1
- Wrong ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**90:**

**Q26**

On a more individual level, would you say you are better off financially, worse off, or about the same compared to a year ago?

- Better ..... 1
- Worse ..... 2
- About the same ..... 3
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9



**91:**

**Q27**

And, looking ahead, do you think that a year from now, you will be better off financially, worse off, or about the same as now?

Better .....	1
Worse .....	2
About the same.....	3
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**92:**

**DEMO**

Thank you. Finally, I'd like to ask you some questions about yourself so that we can be sure we're hearing from a wide range of Arkansans.

**93:**

**Q28**

First, do you live in a city, a suburb, a small town or a rural area?

IF respondent asks for a definition for one of these, tell them, "whatever it means to you".

City.....	1
Suburb .....	2
Small town.....	3
Rural area.....	4
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**94:**

**Q29**

Which of the following education categories best describes your highest level of schooling? I have a list here, so feel free to stop me at any time. Is it:

No high school .....	1
Some high school .....	2
High school graduate.....	3
Some college including business or trade school .....	4
College graduate.....	5
Some graduate school.....	6
Graduate or professional degree.....	7
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**95:**

**Q30**

And, which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic group:

White .....	1
Black or African-American.....	2
Hispanic.....	3
Asian .....	4
Native American .....	5
Multi-Ethnic.....	6
Something else.....	7
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**96:**

**Q31**

Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

Republican.....	1	=> /Q31A
Democrat .....	2	=> /Q31B
Independent.....	3	=> /Q31C
Other.....	4	=> /Q32
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q32
Refused.....	9	=> /Q32

**97:**

**Q31A**

Would you call yourself a strong Republican, or a not very strong Republican?

Strong Republican .....	1	=> /Q32
Not a very strong Republican .....	2	=> /Q32
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q32
Refused.....	9	=> /Q32

**98:**

**Q31B**

Would you call yourself a strong Democrat, or a not very strong Democrat?

Strong Democrat .....	1	=> /Q32
Not a very strong Democrat.....	2	=> /Q32
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q32
Refused.....	9	=> /Q32

**99:**

**Q31C**

Well, do you think of yourself as closer to a Republican or Democratic Party?

Closer to Republican .....	1	=> /Q32
Closer to Democrat.....	2	=> /Q32
Just Independent.....	3	=> /Q32
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q32
Refused.....	9	=> /Q32

**100:**

**Q32**

How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally, do you think of yourself as a Liberal, Moderate, or Conservative?

Liberal .....	1	=> /Q32A
Moderate.....	2	=> /Q33
Conservative .....	3	=> /Q32B
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q33
Refused .....	9	=> /Q33

**101:**

**Q32A**

Would you say you are strongly Liberal or somewhat Liberal?

Strongly Liberal .....	1	=> /Q33
Somewhat Liberal .....	2	=> /Q33
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q33
Refused .....	9	=> /Q33

**102:**

**Q32B**

Would you say that you are strongly Conservative or somewhat Conservative?

Strongly Conservative .....	1	=> /Q33
Somewhat Conservative .....	2	=> /Q33
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q33
Refused .....	9	=> /Q33

**103:**

**Q33**

Which of the following income categories best describes your total 2009 household income? I have a list here, feel free to stop me at any time. Was it:

\$7500 or less .....	01
\$7501 to \$15,000.....	02
\$15,001 to \$25,000.....	03
\$25,001 to \$35,000.....	04
\$35,001 to \$50,000.....	05
\$50,001 to \$75,000.....	06
\$75,001 to \$100,000.....	07
\$100,001 or over .....	08
Don't know.....	98
Refused.....	99

**77:**

**Q19**

Do you have some form of health insurance or health coverage, or not?

Yes .....	1
No.....	2
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**104:**

**Q34**

About how often do you attend religious services? Is it:

Never .....	1
Once a year .....	2
Several times a year .....	3
About once a month .....	4
2-3 times a month .....	5
Every week .....	6
More than once a week .....	7
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**105:**

**Q35**

Which of the following best describes your current religious preference?

Is it: Protestant is pronounced Prah-test-ant. Protestant includes any Christian faith that is not Catholic or Greek Orthodox. Any Christian faith that is not Catholic or Greek Orthodox should be classified as Protestant. Greek Orthodox is classified as "Other".

Protestant .....	1	
Catholic .....	2	
Jewish .....	3	=> /Q37
Something else .....	4	=> /Q37
None .....	5	=> /Q37
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q37
Refused .....	9	=> /Q37

**106:**

**Q36**

Do you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian? Interviewer: If the respondent asks for a definition of either of these terms, tell them, "We want to know how you feel about yourself. Do you identify with either of these labels?"

Yes .....	1
No .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**107:**

**Q37**

Which of these best describes your present marital status:

Married .....	1
Not married but living together .....	2
Separated or divorced .....	3
Widowed .....	4
never married or single .....	5
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**108:** **Q38**  
 We're nearly done: How many people, including yourself, live in your household?

Interviewer: Include children.

Enter response.....  
 Don't know..... 98  
 Refused..... 99

**109:** **Q39**  
 Do you have any school aged children?

Interviewer: This includes children in Kindergarten through 12 grade only.

Yes ..... 1      => /Q39A  
 No..... 2      => /Q40  
 Don't know..... 8      => /Q40  
 Refused..... 9      => /Q40

**110:** **Q39A**  
 How many school aged children do you have?

Enter Number.....  
 Don't know..... 98  
 Refused..... 99

**111:** **Q40**  
 What is your current employment status. Is it: Interviewer: Select up to two.

Employed full-time..... 1  
 Employed part-time..... 2  
 Self-employed..... 3  
 Unemployed..... 4  
 Retired..... 5  
 Don't know..... 8 X  
 Refused..... 9 X

**112:** **Q41**  
 Are you a registered voter?

Yes ..... 1  
 No..... 2  
 Don't know..... 8  
 Refused..... 9

**113:** **Q42**

And, how likely are you to vote in the next elections that take place in November 2010?  
 Are you:

- Very Likely..... 1
- Likely ..... 2
- Unlikely..... 3
- Very unlikely ..... 4
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**114:** **Q43**

In what year were you born?

- Enter response.....
- Don't know..... 9998
- Refused..... 9999

**115:** **Q44**

And, I am required to ask you this, are you male or female?

- Male ..... 1      => /INT99
- Female ..... 2      => /INT99
- Don't know..... 8      => /INT99
- Refused..... 9      => /INT99

**124:** **INT99**

Thank you very much for helping us with the Arkansas Poll. Have a nice  
 day/afternoon/evening.

- Complete.....CO      => /END

**116:** **INT10**

INTERVIEWER - Was selection completed? If yes, is chosen respondent<NAME>?

- Respondent selection not completed ..... FE      => /INT88
- Selection completed and respondent name correct..... OK      => /INT88
- Selection completed and respondent name missing..... WR      => /NAMEQ

**117:** **NAMEQ**

So we know who to ask for when we call back, what is your first name? (And how do you  
 spell that?)

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**119:** **INT88**

Interviewer: click here to enter the callback screen.

Schedule callback - general..... CB      => /CB  
 Schedule callback - different language ..... CL      => /CB

**128:** **CB**

When would be a good time to call <NAME> back (to call back)?

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**121:** **INT96**

I'm sorry, but I can only speak with men at this time because we have already spoken to a great number of women. Thank you for your time.

<NAME> is not qualified screener..... NQ      => /END

**122:** **INT97**

I'm sorry, but I can only talk to adult residents of Arkansas who live in this household. Thank you for your time.

<NAME> is not member of household..... NM      => /END  
 <NAME> is not a resident of Arkansas ..... NR      => /END  
 Household is not in Arkansas..... NH      => /END  
 <NAME> is age 17 or younger ..... UX      => /END  
 <NAME> is ineligible ..... IX      => /END

**123:** **INT98**

Thank you for your time today. I appreciate your help. Have a nice day/afternoon/evening.

Incomplete survey ..... IN      => /END  
 Soft refusal..... SR      => /END  
 Spanish language soft refusal..... LR      => /END  
 Hard refusal ..... HR      => /END  
 Ineligible..... IE      => /END  
 Underage..... UA      => /END

**126:** **F6**

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